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**Elizabeth Drew Stoddard, née Barstow was a United States poet and novelist. She is most widely known today as the author of *The Morgesons* (1862), her first of three novels. Her other two novels are *Two Men* (1865) and *Temple House* (1867). Stoddard was also a prolific writer of short stories, children's tales, poems, essays, travel writing, and journalism pieces. (Summary from Wikipedia)**

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Now like the Lady of Shalott,  
I dwell within an empty room,  
And through the day and through the night  
I sit before an ancient loom.

And like the Lady of Shalott  
I look into a mirror wide,  
Where shadows come, and shadows go,  
And ply my shuttle as they glide

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